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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO SOVIET PROTEST ON EC VOCATIONAL CENTER

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1. DEPARTMENT AGREES WITH USBER THAT RESPONSE TO SOVIET
PROTEST ON EC VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTER SHOULD BE MADE
QUICKLY. WE ALSO AGREE THAT RESPONSE SHOULD FOLLOW
CLOSELY DRAFT TEXT PARA 10 REFTTEL (A). WE THINK,
HOWEVER, THAT ANY REFERENCE TO ACTIVITIES OF INTER-
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NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS LISTED IN ANNEXES IV (A) (2) (D)

AND IV (B) (2) (D) BE TERMED "PROVISIONS" RATHER THAN
"LIMITATIONS"

2. PRESS LEAK ON SOVIET PROTEST (REFTEL B) REPRESENTS
IN OUR OPINION DISSERVICE TO ALLIED EFFORTS TO
RESTRICT THIS ISSUE TO LOCAL BERLIN LEVEL. AT NEXT MEETING
OF ALLIES AT DEPUTY POLAD OR POLAD LEVEL US REP SHOULD
EMPHASIZE OUR CONCERN THAT PRESS PLAY OF THIS TYPE, AND
PARTICULARLY THE CHARACTERIZATION OF THE PROTEST AS BEING
"ONE OF THE WEAKEST FORMS OF DIPLOMATIC INTERVENTION" (PARA
1 REFTEL B) INCREASES SUBSTANTIALLY LIKELIHOOD OF FURTHER
ESCALATION OF SOVIET PROTEST. INGERSOLL

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